



MECKLENBURG COUNTY PRETRIAL SERVICES

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Agenda

- Pretrial Services Overview
- Historical Data
- Implementation of the PSA
- Current Data
- Questions



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Pretrial Services Program Overview

- Total Employees: 18 FTE
- Budget: 1.6 million
- Completed Assessments: 13,211
- Average Caseload: 220





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Questions We Started to Ask:

- Who is in our jail?
- Why are they in our jail?
- Who are we releasing?
- Who are we supervising?
- What are our bond setting practices?



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Where we were...

Charge	Secure
Driving While License Revoked	99%
Driving While Intoxicated	95%
Paraphernalia	99%
Resisting	97%
Possess Marijuana	98%



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Rational for Risk-based Decision Making

- Protect public safety
- Promote objective decisions and reduce biases
- Use system resources wisely
- Uphold “least restrictive means” in state statute
- Preserve legal and constitutional rights afforded defendants



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PSA Implementation

- Implemented June, 2014
- Contains 3 scales: NCA, FTA and violent flag
- A tool to measure risk
- Completed by staff prior to first appearance
- Does not include interview dependent questions



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Release Decision-Making Matrix

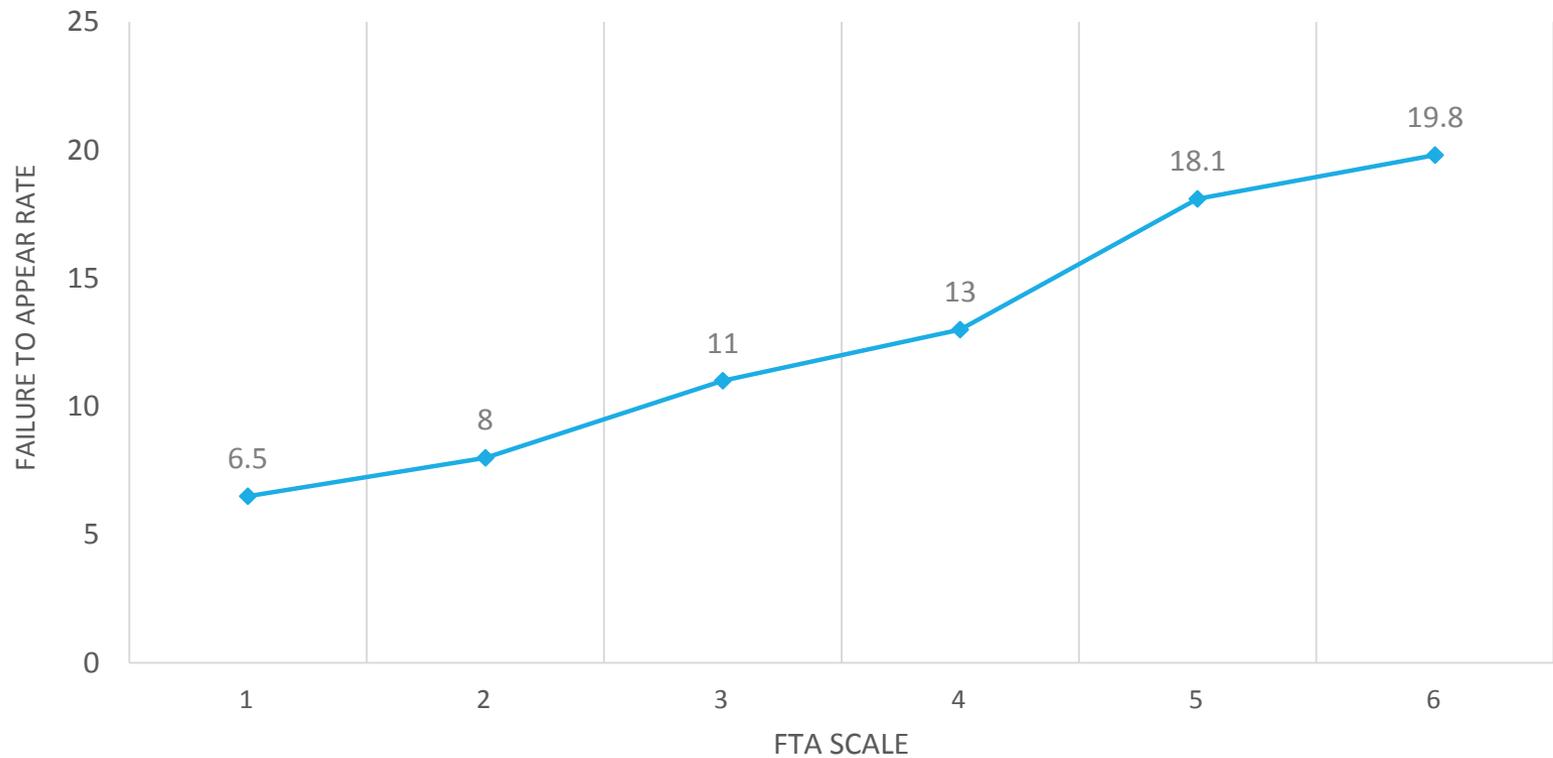
New Criminal Activity (NCA) Score

		NCA 1	NCA 2	NCA 3	NCA 4	NCA 5	NCA 6
<i>Risk of Failure to Appear (FTA) Score</i>	FTA 1	WPA or UNSECURED	WPA or UNSECURED				
	FTA 2	WPA or UNSECURED	WPA or UNSECURED	UNSECURED or ADMINISTRATIVE CDPO	SECURED STANDARD / CDPO	SECURED/INTENSIVE / CDPO	
	FTA 3		UNSECURED or ADMINISTRATIVE CDPO	SECURED STANDARD / CDPO	SECURED STANDARD / CDPO	SECURED/INTENSIVE / CDPO	SECURED/DETAIN
	FTA 4		SECURED STANDARD / CDPO	SECURED STANDARD / CDPO	SECURED/INTENSIVE / CDPO	SECURED/DETAIN	SECURED/DETAIN
	FTA 5		SECURED STANDARD / CDPO	SECURED INTENSIVE / CDPO	SECURED/INTENSIVE / CDPO	SECURED/DETAIN	SECURED/DETAIN
	FTA 6				SECURED/DETAIN	SECURED/DETAIN	SECURED/DETAIN



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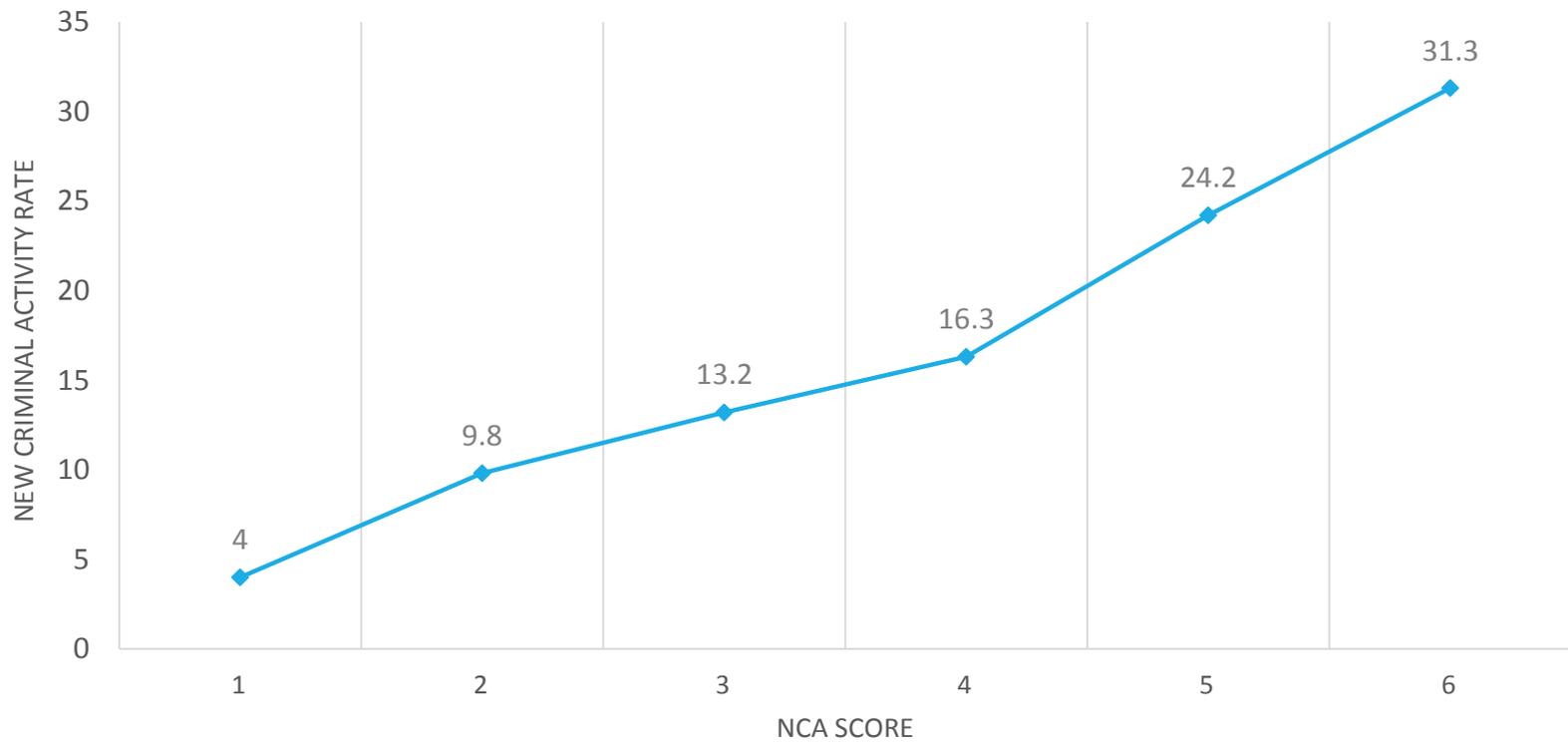
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7/1/14-9/30/14





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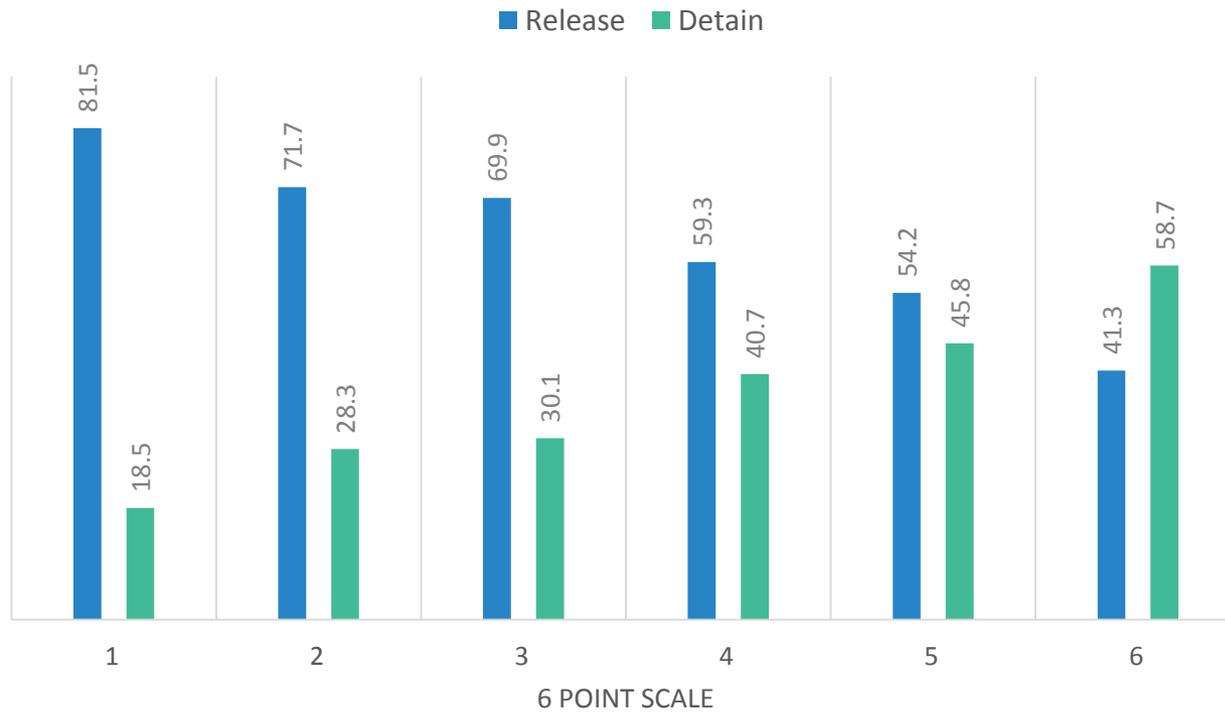
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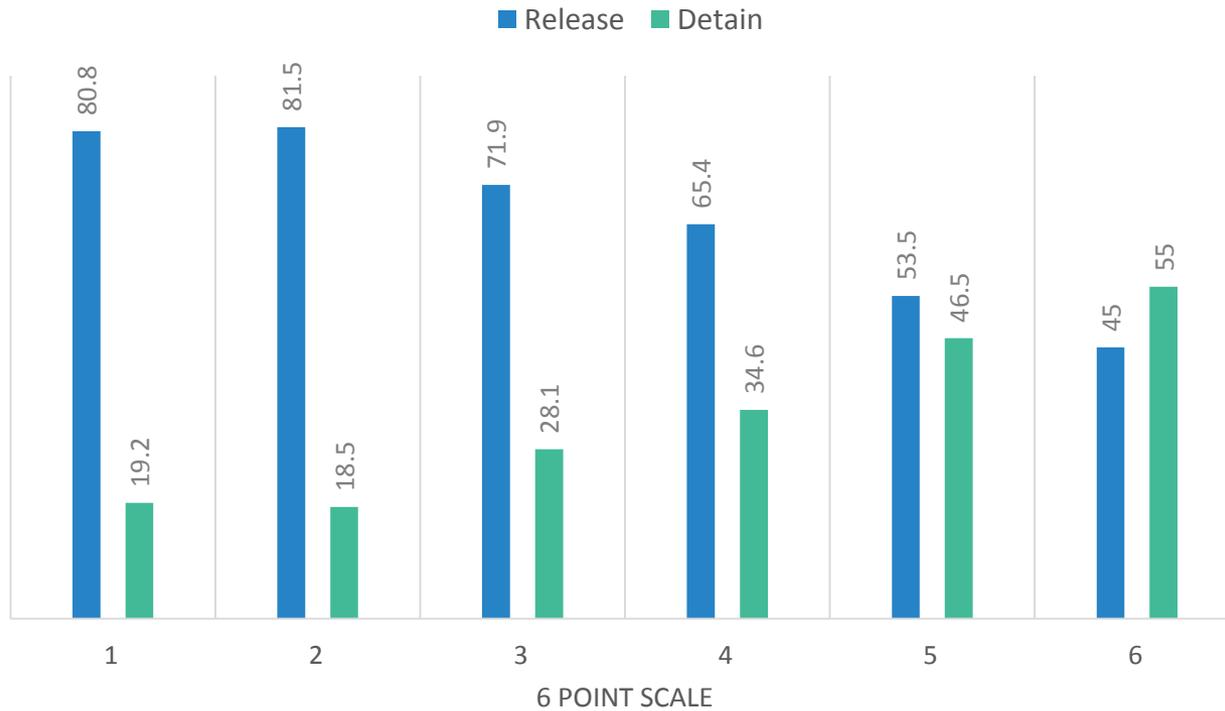
RELEASE/DETAIN RATES-FTA





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RELEASE/DETAIN RATES NCA





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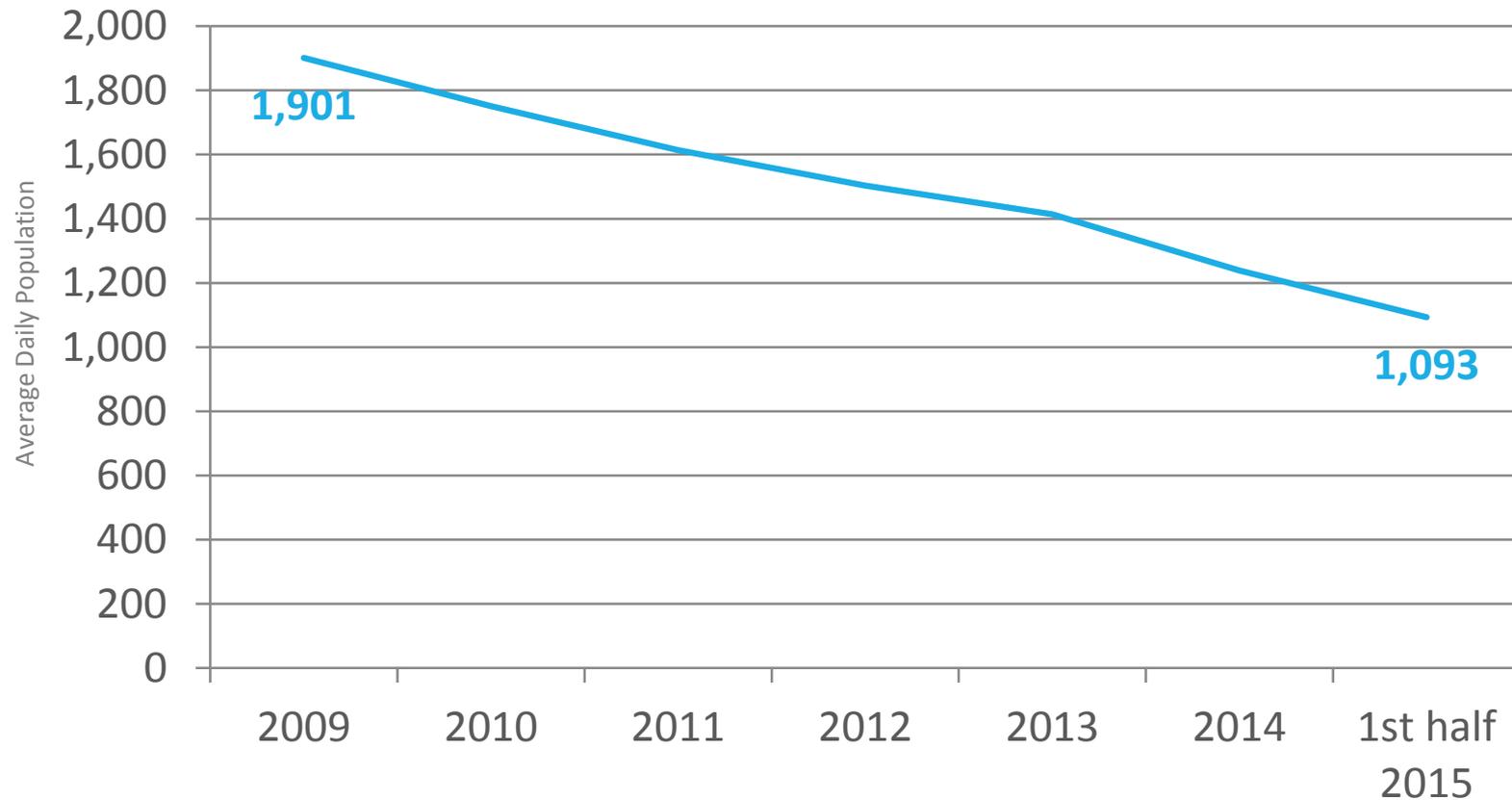
Where we are...

	2009	2015
Secured	49%	43%
Cash	8%	1%
Custody	2%	1%
Unsecured	5%	28%
Written Promise	4%	1%
Other	32%	26%



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COUNTY JAIL POPULATION

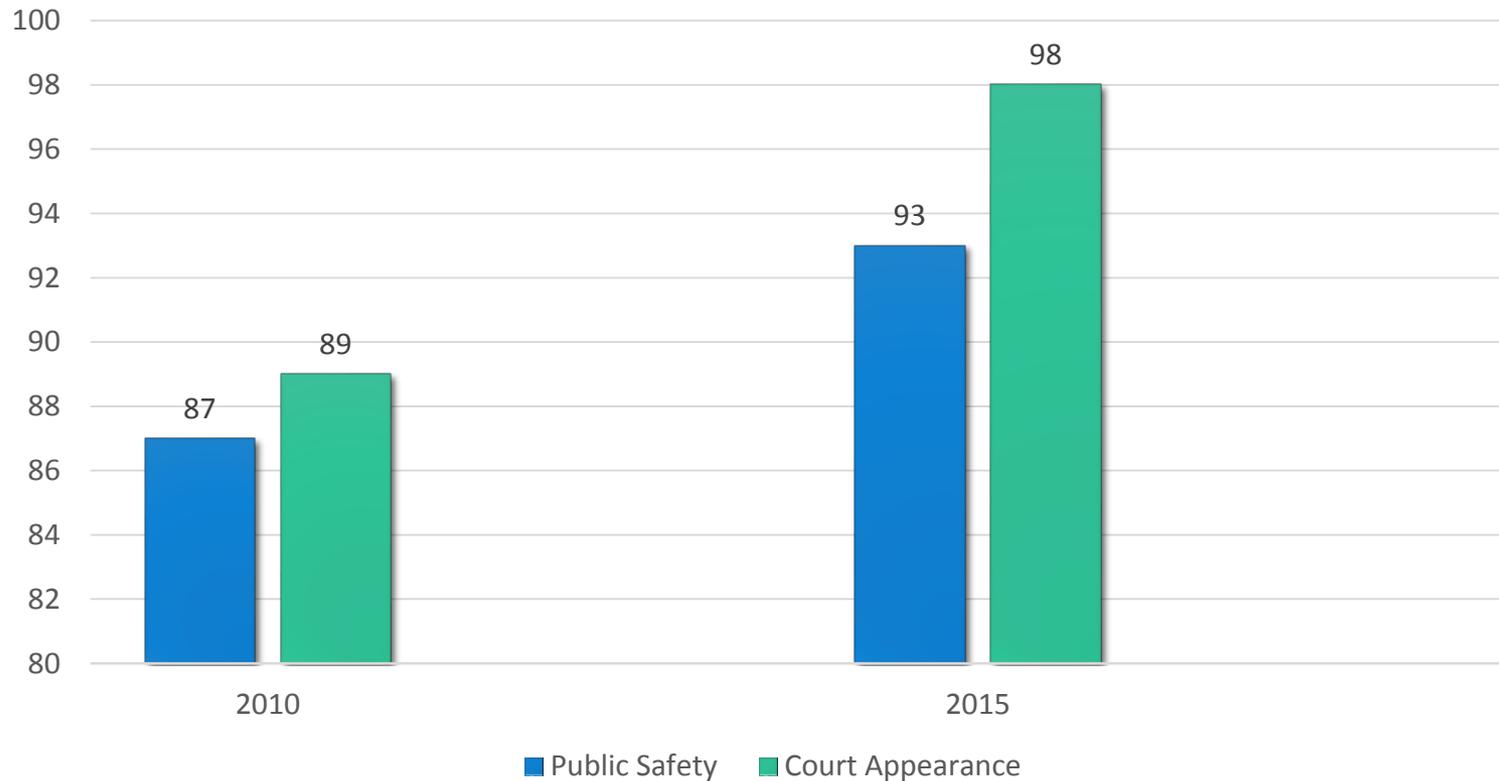


42.5% Reduction



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PRETRIAL SERVICES OUTCOME DATA





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Smart Detention – Safe Release

- Risk-based pretrial decision making
- Using objective data to inform release decisions
- Safely reduced jail population
- Significant increase in unsecure bonds
- Program outcomes improved
- All of this, without compromising public safety



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